

April 1, 2015

PRC Case: #A2015-2

Dear Ms. Grove:

I am writing in regards to the proposed closure of the Careywood Idaho Post Office. I would like you to consider how important this Post Office is to our community. This building is our community center.

As a fiscal conservative, I fully understand the intent of post office closures, and can appreciate the efforts by the USPS to make operations more efficient, and responsible. However, cutting the post offices that are "in the black," appears to be counter-productive to the overall goal of a self-sustaining organization. The current Post Master has, in a very short period of time, turned that PO around, and in doing so has made the business profitable for the USPS. The overall experience in this post office is uniquely personal and professional. Because of this, I believe that you will continue to see sales of this post office increase.

The second reason given for the closure of our post office is the proposed expansion of Highway 95. Idaho Department of Transportation, at this time, has a tentative start date for the expansion of 2022, but the funding for this project has not yet been approved. It is not, in my opinion, a reasonable argument for the immediate closure of our post office.

Lastly, our community, although currently small, is expanding annually. I am new to this community, having moved here two years ago. There are 12 proposed building lots in my subdivision. This increase in population will continue to bolster the profits realized by the current Post Master, and in turn bolster the profits of the USPS. Please reconsider the closing of this community center. I believe that the overwhelming support displayed by the people of Careywood speaks to the importance of this post office, and to our commitment to see it succeed. Thank you for your considerations.

Sincerely,

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